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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 **Legislative Document**

No. 1726

7 S. P. 741 Office of the Secretary of the Senate
8 Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint
9 Rule 24.

10 Reference to the Committee on Agriculture suggested and 1,400
ordered printed.

11 MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate
12 Presented by Senator Wood of York.
13 Cosponsor: Representative Lisnik of Presque Isle.
14 Representative Sherburne of Dexter.
15 Senator Hichens of York.
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19 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
20 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO
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22 **AN ACT to Transfer Certain Responsibilities**
23 **for Insect Nuisance Identification from the**
24 **Department of Conservation to the Department**
25 **of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.**
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27 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

28 17 MRSA §2701-A, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1977,
29 c. 645, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

30 In the case of insect infestations arising out of or
31 relating to agricultural or fishing activities, an entomolo-
32 gist employed by the Department of Agriculture, Food and
33 Rural Resources, and in all other cases, the State Entomolo-

1 gist, shall report his findings to the Attorney General when
2 he has reason to believe such infestation is a public nui-
3 sance.

4 Statement of Fact

5 The purpose of this bill is to transfer from the
6 Department of Conservation to the Department of Agriculture,
7 Food and Rural Resources, the responsibilities for investi-
8 gation and reporting of agricultural insect pest problems.